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TAB "A"

Comments on CIA Intelligence Memorandum No. 169 - "The Probability of Local Interference with the Production and Movement of Certain Strategic Materials in the Event of War"

1. CIA Intelligence Memorandum No. 169 contains essentially the same information regarding Soviet-Communist capabilities and probable intentions to interfere with the production and delivery of strategic materials to the U.S. in the event of war as CIA Intelligence Memorandum No. 144 of 12 April 1949. With few exceptions, both memoranda deal with the same countries.

2. The views of ID, GS, CIA, and the same subject are set forth in TAB "B" herewith. It is noted that CIA Intelligence Memorandum No. 169 does not include all of the materials appearing in Munitions Beard Interim Report, dated 4 February 1949, subject: "List of Vital Resources and Facilities Outside the United States Required for the Industrial Support of an United States Mobilization." It may therefore be assumed that the intent of CIA Intelligence Memorandum No. 169 is to indicate either: (1) that the omitted materials are not considered vital to the U.S., or (2) that no Soviet-Communist effort will be made to prevent their production and/or delivery.

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